Special Events and Programs

Kids' Fishing Fair

Kids, bring your parents to Pocahontas State Park and learn about fishing poles, bait and casting techniques. Master fishermen from Old Dominion Bassmasters will be on hand to help you hook a bluegill, perch or catfish from Swift Creek Lake. Crafts, games and prizes will be available. We provide the bait and poles or bring your own if you like. Every child is a winner if they get hooked on the sport of fishing.

Saturday, June 3

For anglers aged 5-15, 1-3:30 p.m. \$4 parking fee

Details: Kristi Orcutt, 706-2734

Pocahontas Performances Premiere Series: A Celebration of the Performing Arts

Join us at the Pocahontas Heritage Amphitheater for our popular performances. Co-sponsored by the Chesterfield County Parks and Recreation Department and the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation. Special thank you to our Chesterfield Celebrates Sponsors: AIM USA, Allen, Allen, Allen & Allen and our presenting sponsor Comcast. Pocahontas Performances will feature events the entire family will enjoy. Blankets or lawn chairs are recommended. Bring a picnic. No alcohol or glass bottles are permitted.

Richmond Symphony Concert

Pocahontas State Park Heritage Amphitheater Friday, June 3, 7 p.m. (Rain date June 4, 7 p.m.) Free Parking fee

Details: Dave Caras, 748-1132

James River Regional Cleanup

This event is a cooperative cleanup spanning more than 42 miles of the James River. It is sponsored by the James River Advisory Council. Powerboaters, canoeists, kayakers, rowboaters, hikers, waders and sorters all are needed to help in the cleanup effort. The coordination sites include Robious Landing and Dutch Gap Boat Landing, both in Chesterfield County; James River Park System (Reedy Creek), Richmond; Osborne Boat Landing, Henrico County; Maidens Landing, Powhatan County; and Cartersville, Cumberland County.

Saturday, June 10, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Free Details: Kim Conley, 748-1567, or jamesriveradvisorycouncil.com

James River Days 2006

James River Days is a series of events offering recreational, environmental and educational opportunities in, on and around the James River. Events are scheduled through September. About 150 free programs and activities will be offered. For details and a brochure at no charge contact Kim Conley at 748-1567.

We like to hear from you.

Contact us at parksrec@chesterfield.gov.

Comcast Fourth of July Celebration

Celebrate our independence with a spectacular fireworks display at dark. The event will include children's activities area and special entertainment and will be held at the Chesterfield County Airport. Gates will open at 5 p.m. No alcohol, glass bottles, pets or personal fireworks, please. Blankets or lawn chairs are recommended. Don't miss this fun-filled event for all ages. Thanks to our title sponsor, Comcast Metro Richmond, AIM USA and Allen, Allen, Allen and Allen.

Sunday, July 4 (no rain date) Free Gates open at 5 p.m., fireworks at dark Details: Dave Caras, 748-1132

Chesterfield County Fair

County Fairgrounds, 10300 Courthouse Road Friday, Aug. 25-Saturday, Sept. 2 Details: chesterfield.gov

Virginia Folk Music Association Bluegrass Festival

Join the Virginia Folk Music Association as they present four days of music and competition at the Chesterfield County Fairgrounds. Thursday, Sept. 14-Sunday, Sept. 17

Details: 744-7514

Rainbow of Arts

Join the community in celebrating the 29th year of this annual arts-and-crafts event co-sponsored by the Chesterfield Jaycees. Children will enjoy the Imagination Station, where they can experience clay art. A play area for children also will be available. This event supports the Jaycees' community projects. Saturday, Sept. 16, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Rockwood Park, Route 360 and Courthouse Road

Green Infrastructure Group (GIG)

Details: Chesterfield Jaycees hot line, 497-4600

The Green Infrastructure Group, or GIG, is an organization that promotes the preservation of green landscapes across Chesterfield County.

Contact: gig_ideas@comcast.net

Friends of Chesterfield's Riverfront

P.O. Box 2158, Chesterfield, Va. 23832 786-1703 riverfronts@earthlink.net chesterfieldriverfront.org



The Friends of Chesterfield's Riverfront is a local, non-profit organization formed as a result of the Riverfront Plan adopted by Chesterfield County in January 1997.

The Friends mission statement is to lead, partner and unify the community for the Appomattox and James rivers.

Special Events and Programs

Henricus Historical Park

Chesterfield County's history comes to life at Henricus Historical Park, site of the second English settlement in the New World. 251 Henricus Park Road

Details: 706-1340 or www.henricus.org

Musket, Sword and Pike

Henricus Historical Park invites you to come drill with the Henricus Militia. Experience a day in the life of the soldiers of Sir Thomas Dale's Militia.

Saturday, June 3, noon-5 p.m.

Fee: park admission; free for Henricus members

Details and to register: 706-1340

Camp Pocahontas at Henricus

Campers will explore both the life and importance of Pocahontas and the culture of the Powhatan people. Camp activities include Virginia Indian crafts, storytelling, games and nature walks. For ages 6-10

Monday-Friday, June 19-23, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

\$125 per child, discount for Henricus Family and Settler members Register by June 12.

Details: 706-1340

River Camp

Campers will discover the wonders of the James River and learn its significant impact on Virginia's history, economy and environment. During this active week of exploration, campers will fish, kayak,

hike and investigate the wetlands. Henricus River Camp is a cooperative program of Chesterfield County's Department of Parks and Recreation, Friends of Chesterfield's Riverfront and the Henricus Foundation. For ages 8-12

Monday-Friday, July 24-28, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

\$125 per child, discount for Henricus Settler and Family members Register by July 17.

Details: 706-1340

Arrival in the New World

Spend two days at the Citie of Henricus learning things the new settlers had to do just to survive. For ages 9-12

Friday-Saturday, Aug. 18-19, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

\$60 per child, discount for Henricus Settler and Family members Register by Aug. 11.

Details: 706-1340

Publick Day

Be a part of the 20th annual celebration of the founding of the 1611 Citie of Henricus. Experience the past as 400 years of history come to life with demonstration of 17th-century medical practices, military reenactments, Virginia Indian activities, historical children's games, storytelling, craft demonstrations and the Kids' Fun Area with hands-on activities provided by many Richmond region museums and organizations. There is a fee. Henricus members are admitted free.

Saturday, Sept.16, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (rain date: Sept. 17)

Sports

For more details on sports programs, call Paul Wilmoth at 748-1130.

Lucy Corr Race for the Future

Saturday, July 22, 5K Run starting at 8 a.m. Lucy Corr Village, 6800 Lucy Corr Blvd. Details: 748-1511

Tennis

Youth Beginner Tennis

Learn the basic fundamentals in a fun-filled environment. Participants will receive instruction in forehand, backhand and serve while learning tennis rules and etiquette. Bring your own racket and balls. For ages 7-12

L.C. Bird Athletic Complex, 10401 Courthouse Road Monday-Friday, June 26-30, 8:30-9:30 a.m. \$35 Course 12284 Midlothian Middle School, 13501 Midlothian Turnpike Monday-Friday, July 17-21, 8:30-9:30 a.m. \$35 Course 12285 Swift Creek Middle School, 3700 Old Hundred Road South Monday-Friday, Aug. 14-18, 8:30- 9:30 a.m. \$35 Course 12286

Youth Advanced Beginner Tennis

It's time to put those basic tennis strokes together and get into some strategy. We'll refine those strokes and begin to get into some competitive situations. Bring your own racket and balls. For ages 7-12

L.C. Bird Athletic Complex,10401 Courthouse Road Monday-Friday, June 26-30, 9:45-10:45 a.m. \$35 Course 12287 Midlothian Middle School, 13501 Midlothian Turnpike Monday-Friday, July 17-21, 9:45-10:45 a.m. \$35 **Course 12288** Swift Creek Middle School, 3700 Old Hundred Road South Monday-Friday, Aug. 14-18, 9:45-10:45 a.m. \$35 Course 12289

Pee Wee Tennis

This class is great fun for children aged 4-6. We'll have fun, play games and learn the great sport of tennis. Bring your racket, preferably a smaller one, and a can of balls.

L.C. Bird Athletic Complex, 10401 Courthouse Road Monday-Friday, June 26-30, 11 a.m.-noon \$35 Course 12281 Midlothian Middle School,13501 Midlothian Turnpike Monday-Friday, July 17-21, 11 a.m.-noon \$35 **Course 12282** Swift Creek Middle School, 3700 Old Hundred Road South Monday-Friday, Aug 14-18, 11 a.m.-noon \$35 **Course 12283**